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Dearest Lottie:

Just as I wrote your name the C.Q. brought me a letter from you dated Aug. 2nd, and one from Daddy dated July 30th.

It's now 9PM, and I just got back from the best USO shows I have seen over here. There were 3 beautiful girls, and 3 men who were darn good. I'm glad I didn't stay for the picture, "Are Husbands Necessary?" because it's raining outside hard now.

Daddy said he took his mother to West side of Chicago to see some of his Muspuikum! I'll bet he really shot the bull and drank wine and ate cake. I went down in the slums of Chicago with him once to see his cousin. His home smelled like a goat pin, and, uh, what sonoras!, Daddy's folks, huh? Right? I'm sure glad he got to see Bobby and Leonard.

We had our usual Saturday morning lay-out and gun inspection this morning. Nobody had any spirit today, because all of the talk was about Japan throwing in the towel. After dinner I took

A NAP TILL 3:30 PM, BECAUSE I HAD A STOMACH ACHE. BUT IT'S O.K. NOW. THEN I WENT DOWN TO THE BALL GAME, WHICH WE WON 3-2. IT WAS AN EXCITING GAME. "L" COMPANY HAD A MAN ON 3RD BASE WHEN THE GAME ENDED.

RIGHT NOW WE'RE ALL SWEATING OUT RETURNING HOME. WE DON'T KNOW WHETHER WE WILL BE OCCUPATIONAL TROOPS OR NOT. I SURE HOPE NOT, BECAUSE ALL I WANT IS TO GO HOME.

BOY, IT'S REALLY RAINING OUT NOW. WE HAD BAKED CHICKEN FOR DINNER AND IT SURE WAS GOOD. I GOT TWO HUGH DRUMSTICKS.

I JUST HAD MY MIDNIGHT SNACK, A CAN OF SARDINES, BREAD, AND SOME OF THAT GOOD MARY BALL CANDY.

BE GOOD AND WRITE SOON. I NOW HAVE A CAMERA. IT'S FILM SIZE 120. SEND ME ALL THE FILM YOU CAN, AND SEND IT IN A SMALL PACKAGE, AIRMAIL AND FIRST CLASS MAIL. UNDERSTAND? YOU CAN GET SOME AT MAIL PHOTO SERVICE, BOX NO. 1, PRINCETON, IND. SO DO IT RIGHT AWAY!

LOVE, Harold

P.S. PLEASE SEND ME SOME FOOD!

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